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SUBJECT: AUSTRALIAN TEXTILE TQ ACTIONS

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1. THE EC COMMISSION HAS READY A NOTE VERBALE, WHICH WOULD BE DELIVERED TO THE AUSTRALIAN MISSION, IN WHICH IT ASKS FOR CONSULTATIONS UNDER MFA ART. 9. AT THE MISSION'S REQUEST, THE NOTE WILL BE HELD FOR A FEW DAYS TO PERMIT THE USG TO MAKE A SIMULTANEOUS APPROACH TO THE AUSTRALIANS. PLEASE INFORM THE MISSION REGARDING USG TIMING.

2. THE COMMISSION'S NOTE REFERS TO COMPLAINTS RECIEVED FROM TWO MEMBER STATES (GERMANY AND ITALY). IT DOES NOT ALLEGE INJURY--WETHER THIS EXISTS IS STILL BEING INVESTIGATED. TWO OTHER MEMBER STATES, THE UK AND FRANCE, ARE ALSO CONCERNED, BUT LESS SO. ACCORDING

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TO OUR COMMISSION SOURCE FRANCE, WHICH HAS GATT BINDINGS ON

SOME OF THE ITEMS INVOLVED, IS STILL CONSIDERING WHETHER THE PROBLEM SHOULD BE HANDLED IN A GATT ART. 19 CONTEXT. SOME ELEMENTS IN THE COMMUNITY FAVOR A BROADER RESPONSE TO THE FULL PANOPLY OF AUSTRALIAN RESTRICTIONS. HOWEVER, THE COMMISSION POSITION IS THAT SEEKING CONSULTATIONS UNDER MFA ART. 9 IS APPROPRIATE AND DOES NOT PRECLUDE TAKING OTHER STEPS IN THE FUTURE. MYERSON

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